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NOVEMBER CROP PRICES UP BUT LIVESTOCK PRICES DOWN

SIOUX FALLS, November 30, 2007 -- Preliminary November prices were up from October for corn, soybeans, sunflower, spring wheat, oats, alfalfa hay, and other hay, according to the South Dakota Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Preliminary prices for barrows and gilts, sows, cows, and steers and heifers were down, while calves were the same as last month.

For November, the preliminary winter wheat price, at \$6.20, was down 12 cents from last month but up \$1.70 from last November. The spring wheat price, at \$6.88, was 30 cents higher than last month and \$2.13 higher than last year. The November soybean price, at \$9.40, was \$1.40 higher than last month and \$3.61 higher than last year. The corn price, at \$3.40, was up 32 cents from last month and up 82 cents from last year. The preliminary all sunflower price, at \$19.30, was up \$1.70 from last month and up \$6.80 from last year.

The preliminary November barrow and gilt price, at \$39.40, was down \$4.20 from last month and down \$7.40 from last year, while sows, at \$25.80, were down \$1.80 from October and down \$8.20 from November 2006.

The preliminary November steer and heifer price, at \$109.00, was down \$4.00 from October but up \$10.20 from November of last year. Calves, at \$125.00, were unchanged from last month but up \$6.00 from November 2006.

The November alfalfa price, at \$104.00 per ton, was up \$8.00 from last month and up \$22.00 from last year. The other hay price, at \$83.00, was up \$2.00 from last month and up \$15.00 from November 2006.

Prices Received by South Dakota Farmers

Commodity	Unit	November 2006 ¹	October 2007 ¹	November 2007 ²
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Corn	Bu.	2.58	3.08	3.40
Soybeans	Bu.	5.79	8.00	9.40
Sunflower	Cwt.	12.50	17.60	19.30
Wheat, All	Bu.	4.60	6.46	6.70
Winter	Bu.	4.50	6.32	6.20
Other Spring	Bu.	4.75	6.58	6.88
Barley, All	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Feed	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Malt	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Oats	Bu.	2.11	2.71	2.72
Hay, All	Ton	79.00	92.00	100.00
Alfalfa	Ton	82.00	96.00	104.00
Other	Ton	68.00	81.00	83.00
Cattle, All Beef ³	Cwt.	88.50	106.00	97.20
Cows	Cwt.	41.80	46.90	43.20
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	98.80	113.00	109.00
Calves ⁴	Cwt.	119.00	125.00	125.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	45.10	41.70	37.60
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	46.80	43.60	39.40
Sows	Cwt.	34.00	27.60	25.80
Lambs	Cwt.	108.00	105.00	NA
Sheep	Cwt.	26.60	20.30	NA

¹ Entire month. ² Mid-month. ³ Over 500 lbs. ⁴ Under 500 lbs. NA = Not Available

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